

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the

EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI

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U.S. DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MO
ST. LOUIS

United States of America

v.

Case No. 4:23 MJ 35 DDN

JAMES W. RANKIN

SIGNED AND SUBMITTED TO THE COURT FOR
FILING BY RELIABLE ELECTRONIC MEANS

Defendant(s)

CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

I, the complainant in this case, state that the following is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

On or about the date(s) of January 12 & 13, 2023 in the county of St. Louis City in the

Eastern District of Missouri, the defendant(s) violated:

Code Section

Offense Description

18:1470

Transfer of obscene material to a minor

18:2260A

Penalties for registered sex offender

This criminal complaint is based on these facts:

SEE ATTACHED AFFIDAVIT

☒ Continued on the attached sheet.

I state under the penalty of perjury that the following is true and correct.

Daniel Root

Complainant's signature

Daniel Root, SA, FBI

Printed name and title

Sworn to before me and signed in my presence.

Date: 01/13/2023

David D. Noce

Judge's signature

City and state: St. Louis, Missouri

Honorable David D. Noce, U.S. Magistrate Judge

Printed name and title